UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

: CR-08-076 (NGG)

v.

February 7, 2008

DOMENICO CEFALU,

: Brooklyn, New York

Defendant.

TRANSCRIPT OF CRIMINAL CAUSE FOR ARRAIGNMENT BEFORE THE HONORABLE KIYO A. MATSUMOTO UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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THE CLERK: Criminal cause for arraignment. Case number 08-CR-76, United States versus Domenico Cefalu. Counsel, please state your name for the record. MR. BRYANT: Roger Bryant for the United States. Good afternoon, Judge. THE COURT: Good afternoon. MR. LIND: Richard Lind for the defendant. Good afternoon, Judge. THE COURT: Good afternoon. Good afternoon, Mr. Cefalu. Sir, do you understand and speak English without difficulty? THE DEFENDANT: Yes. THE COURT: Alright, if there's anything that is said that you don't understand, please let me know and we'll make sure we give you clarification. The purpose of this proceeding is to make sure you understand the crimes that you are charged with. To make sure you understand you have the right to counsel. You may wish to confer with Mr. Lind at anytime during this proceeding, just let me know. In addition, we'll address the question as to whether or not you'll be released on bail or held in jail. Sir, as you may know, the grand jury has returned an indictment charging you with various counts of extortion, extortion conspiracy. And I'd like to ask if you've had the

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opportunity to review the indictment and to discuss those
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    charges with your attorney?
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              THE DEFENDANT: Somewhat, yes, your Honor.
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              THE COURT: Alright, do you understand the
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    charges, Sir?
              THE DEFENDANT:
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              THE COURT: Would you like me to read the
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    indictment or do you waive reading?
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              THE DEFENDANT: I waive reading.
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              THE COURT: Alright, are you prepared to enter a
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    plea, sir?
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              THE DEFENDANT: Not guilty.
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              THE COURT: The Court will enter a plea of not
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    guilty for Mr. Cefalu. Does the government have a position
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    on detention or bail or will you address that at the
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    detention hearing on February 11<sup>th</sup>?
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              MR. BRYANT: The government will seek a permanent
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    order of detention. But I think defense counsel has
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    requested opportunity to present a bail package on the 11 ^{\rm th}
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    so we're --
              THE COURT: Alright, February 11th at 11:00 am.
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              THE DEFENDANT: Thank you, Judge.
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               THE COURT: You'll have the hearing. And I'd like
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    to find out whether Mr. Cefalu has any medical conditions,
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    medications or other medical needs that must be addressed
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between now and then?
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              THE DEFENDANT: No.
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              THE COURT: Alright, Sir. Thank you.
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              ALL: Thank you, Judge.
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